

Griffith Park Advisory Board  
Thursday March 23, 2017 6:30pm  
Griffith Park Visitor's Center Auditorium  
4730 Crystal Springs Drive L.A.CA, 90027

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Note: Agenda items may be taken out of order or merged as deemed appropriate by Board. All items for Discussion and Action unless otherwise noted.

## Welcome and Introductions

### 1. Roll Call

Susan welcomed new members Sheila Irani, Jamie Robertson, and Greg Bertens.  
Present: Susan, Don, Kris, Chip, Ron, Lucinda, Laura, Sheila, Chris, Greg, Jamie Catherine Landers, CD4; Tracy James and Joe Salaices, Griffith Park

### 2. Approval of Minutes

Chris moved to approve the Minutes from February. Laura seconded the motion. Susan abstained due to absence. Minutes unanimously approved.

### 3. Comments from any City, County, State or Federal representatives in attendance

Catherine Landers reported on the Press Conference that was held for the roll-out of the Mobility Plan.

### 4. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda:

Marian Dodge of Friends of Griffith Park invited us to attend the P22 book signing at Skylight books, 7:30 PM, on Friday, March 24.

## 5. Update regarding Sunset Ranch Preliminary Determination and pedestrian access via the Beachwood Gate to the Hollyridge Trail

Joe noted that the Plaintiffs won the case since the guards were preventing business and that there couldn't be hikers on the easement. The March 13 decision said that access would have to be shut down. The case was about the Stables and that hikers were impeding their business. RAP is working on a plan to close the gate within several weeks. Catherine Landers echoed Joe's remarks that the City of Los Angeles lost and that it is a court order to close the trailhead. Joe suggested that people shouldn't be sent to other areas but given maps to find information about other access points. The guard at the top of Beachwood will be there for a few weeks after the Gate closes.

The Board discussed the closure of this access point to the Park.

Public comment followed for approximately 30 minutes.

Don moved that the closure of the Beachwood Gate leading to the Hollyridge Trail should not have been done without the consultation of the Board at a public meeting and our expectation would be that we would be consulted for advice in any similar matters going forward. Ron seconded. The vote was 10 - 0 with Susan abstaining.

An Ad Hoc Committee of Chris, Sheila, and Kris was established to investigate trail options and will report back at the April meeting.

## 6. Update regarding the Griffith Park Transportation Plan

Joe listed the components of the Plan that are now in place including one-way traffic, reduced parking at the Observatory, and added parking pay stations extended to Western Canyon and East Observatory roads. He noted that all revenue will go back to the park, and that the Dash bus is now operating in the Park 7 days a week.

## 7. Workshop/Retreat

Due to the lateness of the meeting, the consensus was to postpone the Workshop/Retreat until a future date that Board members will choose.

8. Board Member comments on items not on the Agenda

There was a discussion on procedures for election of officers. It was decided that interested candidates would submit a paragraph showing their interest to Joe who would then distribute these paragraphs to board members before the election. The election of officers will take place at the next regular board meeting, April 27.

9. Old/Ongoing Business

No ongoing business.

10. New/Future Business

No future business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.